

## **Weekly Bulletin**

#### 23 May 2025 (Summer Term Week 5)

#### **Principal's Blog**

Please read the latest blog from Mr Wilding here, "Death is swallowed up in Victory - The Reverend James Wilding 1781-1863"

#### **CLASS BULLETINS**

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

#### Parents' Evening

Please see the attached **Parents' Evening** letter with details about the upcoming Junior Parents' Evenings in June. It includes key dates and booking information. If you have any questions, feel free to email juniors@clairescourt.net.

#### **New Uniform Guide**

A big thank you to Willow and Noah from 1K, Maryam from 5D and Humza from 5V for modeling our school uniform for our updated uniform guide to be released later this year. You are all superstars!

#### **Reminder: Hats**

Please make sure your child brings a hat to school for outdoor times - including break, lunch, and PE.

#### **Whole School Photo**

Tempest Photography are pleased to report your whole school group photograph is available to view and order via the following weblink. Please include your child's full name to assist with distribution at the school. Order within two weeks to avoid P&P charges. (Delivery to school). For assistance, please call 01736 752411. Option 3 - Place an order (P&P applies) / Option 5 -Customer services

#### **Holiday Club**

Our Holiday club is open during the half term break, and your child/children and their friends are welcome to join us, every day/a few days/just for one day, to suit your preference! They will have a fun-filled time, socialising, enjoying structured games, sporting activities and creative art and craft. There is the opportunity to book swimming, and Cookery and Adventure available for those in Year 4 and above. More details can be found on our <a href="website">website</a>, or feel free to email <a href="holidayclub@clairescourt.com">holidayclub@clairescourt.com</a> for further information. <a href="https://clairescourt.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/">https://clairescourt.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/</a>

#### **Sun Protection**

As we look forward to a fun Summer ahead and enjoy our time outside, we need to ensure our pupils stay safe in the sun. Please read our **Sun Protection Letter** here.

#### **Chess Updates from Mr Hogg**

Congratulations to those Claires Court pupils who played in the tournament on Saturday. Some were playing in their first full tournament, so I was delighted that everyone won at least one game.

I started the tournament off by telling the players about the recent achievement of Matthew Wadsworth and included some of my own memories of him going back 20 years, before I even became a teacher at Claires Court. Matthew started coming along to Maidenhead Chess Club when he was 4, when we used to meet in the Claires Court Juniors' dining room on a Saturday morning. His is a story of persistence and quiet determination - an example to everyone who enters our monthly tournaments. He started off earning nul points in matches, but rather than giving up he stuck with it to get to where he is today. His story in the Maidenhead Advertiser can be found here.

Well done to Satyan, Arlen, Owen, and Thiraiyan for representing themselves and our school so well. I hope Matthew can be an inspiration for you all. Remember to put up those House Points you've earned!

#### **Library Books**

All children Years 3 - 6 are expected to have a reading book with them on the day of their Library session. This can be a Library book or a book from home and can be Fiction or Nonfiction.

#### **National Share a Story Month**

May is National Share a Story Month and what better way to celebrate than by sharing some of our favourite stories. Design a poster to showcase your favourite book. Don't forget to include:

- Book Title and Author
- What the story is about
- Why you enjoyed the story

Posters should be no larger than A4 and handed to Miss Murphy by Monday 2 June. Winners will be announced at the beginning of June.



### **End of Day Collections**

Parents/Visitors are not permitted on site during the school day unless authorised by the School Office. For safeguarding purposes, we must be aware of who is on site at all times. If you need to collect your child early, please inform the office in advance and collect your child via the main entrance at the front of the school. Please ensure that anyone collecting your child, such as grandparents, is also aware of this procedure. For club pickups, the same

process applies: you must notify the office if you are collecting your child early and arrive via the school office. If collecting at the usual time, please avoid arriving before 5pm.

#### **Additional Reminders**

If a pupil arrives late, they must be dropped off at the front of the school and signed in at the office. Please note that, for safeguarding reasons, parents are not permitted to accompany pupils to the lockers.

#### **Rabbit Award**

Awarded for kindness, helpfulness and compassion doing the right thing without being asked, it is what makes our school a wonderful environment. This week's Rabbit award winners are:

- ★ Beau (60) for always being polite and well-mannered. Whenever he sees a teacher, he'll always say good morning/afternoon and ask how they are with genuine interest.
- ★ Harjot (3R) for impeccable manners whenever visiting the school office, in particular knocking and waiting until called in to kindly ask for the table tennis rackets.

#### New Claires Court PE Kit - available from June

We are pleased to announce that a new Claires Court PE kit will be launched this June at **Hawkinsport**, in preparation for the **September 2025** academic year.

#### Coach Movement on Site - Please Give Way and Drive Safely

When you see the coach entering or exiting the site, please give way to avoid causing any blockages or delays to its onward journey, as coaches are large vehicles that require ample space to manoeuvre. They will be using the designated bus lane located on the drive, which is on the opposite side of the road. If you see a coach moving up or down the drive, please move to the other lane when it is safe to do so and do not attempt to overtake the coach, as this poses a risk to the safety of staff, pupils, and parents.



# Dates for the diary

Whole School Cocktails and Canapés - Two weeks today - Friday 6 June Our 'Cocktails and Canapés' event organised by the PTA is not only to raise funds but also to bring the whole parent body together from Nursery to Sixth Form. We'd love to see as many of you there as possible so please join us at Moor Hall in Cookham on Friday 6 June and book your tickets here now!



<u>Papaya Smartphone Event</u>
This event will be open to everyone, however priority will be given to Claires Court Junior families. Please see further details below.



#### **Claires Court Summer Fete - Saturday 21 June**

<u>Purchase your tickets</u> now for the Summer Fete, advance ticket price £4 individual or £12 family ticket.



#### Junior <a href="PTA Summer Party">PTA Summer Party</a> - Saturday 28 June

Join us for a delightful summer evening on Saturday 28 June at 7pm at Juniors, as we come together to raise funds in support of our school. We'd love to see you there and share a relaxed and enjoyable evening with you.

Tickets are now available to purchase via this <u>link</u>. We hope you can join us for what promises to be a wonderful night.



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